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# AIR FREIGHT DOWN 2.9 PER CENT IN FIRST TEN MONTHS DOWN 11.3 PER CENT IN OCTOBER

WASHINGTON, D.C., December 3--The U.S. scheduled airlines recorded a 2.9 per cent decline in air freight in domestic and international service in the first ten months of 1980 compared with the same period in 1979, the Air Transport Association reported today.

Domestic air freight was down 5.2 per cent from the first ten months of 1979. Mail increased 11.2 per cent. International air freight increased 0.6 per cent, while mail increased 2.7 per cent.

Total air cargo, which consists of freight and mail, in both domestic and international service, decreased 1.0 per cent from the first ten months of last year.

Total air freight decreased 11.3 per cent in October compared with October 1979. Domestic air freight decreased 7.6 per cent while international freight was down 16.7 per cent for the months of October.

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## CARGO FLOWN IN SCHEDULED DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

### U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

Revenue Ton Miles
(In Thousands)

| | Domestic | | | International | | | Total | TOTAL |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Freight | Mail | Total | Freight | Mail | Total | Freight | CARGO |
| October - 1980 | 289,765 | 79,978 | 369,743 | 183,824 | 27,133 | 210,957 | 473,589 | 580,700 |
| October - 1979 | 313,476 | 71,599 | 385,075 | 220,567 | 25,836 | 246,403 | 534,043 | 631,478 |
| % Change | -7.6 | +11.7 | -4.0 | -16.7 | +5.0 | -14.4 | -11.3 | -8.0 |
| 10 Months-1980 | 2,662,479 | 741,380 | 3,403,859 | 1,842,137 | 254,343 | 2,096,480 | 4,504,616 | 5,500,339 |
| 10 Months-1979 | 2,808,297 | 666,863 | 3,475,160 | 1,830,389 | 247,654 | 2,078,043 | 4,638,686 | 5,553,203 |
| % Change | -5.2 | +11.2 | -2.1 | +0.6 | +2.7 | +0.9 | -2.9 | -1.0 |

Note: These figures do not include the international operations of Northwest Airlines.

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# AIR FREIGHT DOWN 4.0 PER CENT IN FIRST 11 MONTHS DOWN 14.2 PER CENT IN NOVEMBER

WASHINGTON, D.C., December 30--The U.S. scheduled airlines recorded a 4.0 per cent decline in air freight in domestic and international service in the first 11 months of 1980 compared with the same period in 1979, the Air Transport Association reported today.

Domestic air freight was down 5.8 per cent from the first 11 months of 1979. Mail increased 10.6 per cent. International air freight decreased 1.3 per cent, while mail increased 2.3 per cent.

Total air cargo, which consists of freight and mail, in both domestic and international service, decreased 2.0 per cent from the first 11 months of last year.

Total air freight decreased 14.2 per cent in November compared with November 1979. Domestic air freight decreased 11.9 per cent while international freight was down 17.3 per cent for the month of November.

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## CARGO FLOWN IN SCHEDULED DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

### U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

Revenue Ton Miles
(In Thousands)

| | Domestic | | | International | | | Total | TOTAL |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Freight | Mail | Total | Freight | Mail | Total | Freight | CARGO |
| November - 1980 | 261,632 | 74,726 | 336,358 | 178,835 | 30,432 | 209,267 | 440,467 | 545,625 |
| November - 1979 | 297,001 | 70,751 | 367,752 | 216,249 | 30,675 | 246,924 | 513,250 | 614,676 |
| % Change | -11.9 | +5.6 | -8.5 | -17.3 | -0.8 | -15.3 | -14.2 | -11.2 |
| 11 Months-1980 | 2,924,111 | 816,106 | 3,740,217 | 2,020,972 | 284,775 | 2,305,747 | 4,945,083 | 6,045,964 |
| 11 Months-1979 | 3,105,298 | 737,614 | 3,842,912 | 2,046,638 | 278,329 | 2,324,967 | 5,151,936 | 6,167,879 |
| % Change | -5.8 | +10.6 | -2.7 | -1.3 | +2.3 | -0.8 | -4.0 | -2.0 |

Note: These figures do not include the international operations of Northwest Airlines.

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# AIR FREIGHT DOWN 4.7 PER CENT IN 1980

WASHINGTON, D.C., January 26--The U.S. scheduled airlines recorded a 4.7 per cent decrease in air freight in domestic and international service in 1980, compared with 1979, the Air Transport Association reported today.

Air freight decreased 13.0 per cent in December 1980 compared with December 1979.

Total domestic air cargo, which consists of freight and mail, decreased 2.9 per cent in December 1980 from the same month in 1979. Mail increased 12.1 per cent.

In domestic service, air freight was down 8.1 per cent from December of last year. International air freight decreased 19.9 per cent.

In international service, air cargo was down 17.0 per cent from December 1979 and mail decreased 1.8 per cent.

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## CARGO FLOWN IN SCHEDULED DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

### U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

Revenue Ton Miles
(In Thousands)

| | Domestic | | | International | | | Total | TOTAL |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Freight | Mail | Total | Freight | Mail | Total | Freight | CARGO |
| December - 1980 | 245,507 | 105,549 | 351,056 | 150,914 | 35,100 | 186,014 | 396,421 | 537,070 |
| December - 1979 | 267,278 | 94,165 | 361,443 | 188,389 | 35,726 | 224,115 | 455,667 | 585,558 |
| % Change | -8.1 | +12.1 | -2.9 | -19.9 | -1.8 | -17.0 | -13.0 | -8.3 |
| 12 Months-1980 | 3,169,618 | 921,655 | 4,091,273 | 2,171,886 | 319,875 | 2,491,761 | 5,341,504 | 6,583,034 |
| 12 Months-1979 | 3,372,576 | 831,779 | 4,204,355 | 2,235,027 | 314,055 | 2,549,082 | 5,607,603 | 6,753,437 |
| % Change | -6.0 | +10.8 | -2.7 | -2.8 | +1.9 | -2.2 | -4.7 | -2.5 |

Note: These figures do not include the international operations of Northwest Airlines.

Carriers included: Airlift, American, Braniff, Continental, Delta, Eastern, Flying Tiger, Frontier, Northwest, Ozark, Pan American, Piedmont, Republic, Texas International, Trans World, United, USAir and Western.

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# AIR FREIGHT DOWN 10.6 PER CENT IN JANUARY

WASHINGTON, D.C., March 9 -- The U.S. scheduled airlines recorded a 10.6 per cent decrease in air freight in January 1981, compared with January 1980, the Air Transport Association reported today.

In domestic service, air freight was down 6.5 per cent from January of last year. International air freight decreased 17.5 per cent.

Total domestic air cargo, which consists of freight and mail, decreased 3.2 per cent in January 1981 from the same month in 1980. Mail increased 8.3 per cent.

In international service, air cargo was down 12.4 per cent from January 1980 and mail increased 22.7 per cent.

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## CARGO FLOWN IN SCHEDULED DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

### U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

Revenue Ton Miles
(In Thousands)

| | Domestic | | | International | | | Total | TOTAL |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Freight | Mail | Total | Freight | Mail | Total | Freight | CARGO |
| January - 1981 | 241,445 | 81,978 | 323,423 | 125,418 | 27,312 | 152,730 | 366,863 | 476,153 |
| January - 1980 | 258,317 | 75,690 | 334,007 | 151,999 | 22,261 | 174,260 | 410,316 | 508,267 |
| % Change | -6.5 | +8.3 | -3.2 | -17.5 | +22.7 | -12.4 | -10.6 | -6.3 |

Note: These figures do not include the international operations of Northwest Airlines.

Carriers included: Air California, Air Florida, Air New England, Airlift, Alaska, Aloha, American, Braniff, Capitol, Continental, Delta, Eastern, Evergreen, Flying Tiger, Frontier, Hawaiian, Northwest, Ozark, Pan American, Piedmont, PSA-Pacific Southwest, Republic, Texas International, Trans World, United, USAir and Western.

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# AIR FREIGHT DOWN 11.9 PER CENT IN FEBRUARY

WASHINGTON, D.C., April 2 -- The U.S. scheduled airlines recorded an 11.9 per cent decrease in air freight in February 1981 compared with February 1980, the Air Transport Association reported today.

In domestic service, air freight was down 10.9 per cent from February of last year. International air freight decreased 13.5 per cent.

Total domestic air cargo, which consists of freight and mail, decreased 7.8 per cent in February 1981 from the same month in 1980. Mail increased 4.0 per cent.

In international service, air cargo was down 9.5 per cent from February 1980 and mail increased 20.0 per cent.

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## CARGO FLOWN IN SCHEDULED DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

### U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

Revenue Ton Miles
(In Thousands)

| | Domestic | | | International | | | Total | TOTAL |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Freight | Mail | Total | Freight | Mail | Total | Freight | CARGO |
| February - 1981 | 243,514 | 76,717 | 320,231 | 139,287 | 26,395 | 165,682 | 382,801 | 485,913 |
| February - 1980 | 273,367 | 73,769 | 347,136 | 161,081 | 21,997 | 183,078 | 434,448 | 530,214 |
| % Change | -10.9 | +4.0 | -7.8 | -13.5 | +20.0 | -9.5 | -11.9 | -8.4 |
| 2 Months - 1981 | 484,959 | 158,695 | 643,654 | 264,705 | 53,707 | 318,412 | 749,664 | 962,066 |
| 2 Months - 1980 | 531,684 | 149,459 | 681,143 | 313,080 | 44,258 | 357,338 | 844,764 | 1,038,481 |
| % Change | -8.8 | +6.2 | -5.5 | -15.5 | +21.3 | -10.9 | -11.3 | -7.4 |

Note: These figures do not include the international operations of Northwest Airlines.

Carriers included: Air California, Air Florida, Air New England, Airlift, Alaska, Aloha, American, Braniff, Capitol, Continental, Delta, Eastern, Flying Tiger, Frontier, Hawaiian, Northwest, Ozark, Pan American, Piedmont, PSA, Republic, Texas International, Trans World, United, USAir and Western.

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AIR FREIGHT DOWN 9.5 PER CENT IN FIRST QUARTER

WASHINGTON, D.C., May 4--The U.S. scheduled airlines recorded a 9.5 per cent decline in air freight in domestic and international service in the first quarter of 1981 compared with the same period in 1980, the Air Transport Association reported today.

Domestic air freight was down 7.2 per cent from the first quarter of 1980. Mail increased 6.0 per cent. International air freight decreased 13.2 per cent, while mail decreased 0.1 per cent.

Total air cargo, which consists of freight and mail, in both domestic and international service, decreased 6.9 per cent from the first quarter of last year.

Total air freight decreased 6.2 per cent in March compared with March 1980. Domestic air freight decreased 4.4 per cent while international freight was down 9.1 per cent for the month of March.

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## CARGO FLOWN IN SCHEDULED DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

### U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INCUSTRY

Revenue Ton Miles
(In Thousands)

| | Domestic | | | International | | | Total | TOTAL |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Freight | Mail | Total | Freight | Mail | Total | Freight | CARGO |
| March - 1981 | 284,662 | 84,195 | 368,857 | 174,157 | 25,213 | 199,370 | 458,819 | 568,227 |
| March - 1980 | 297,875 | 79,718 | 377,593 | 191,508 | 25,230 | 216,738 | 489,383 | 594,331 |
| % Change | -4.4 | +5.6 | -2.3 | -9.1 | -0.1 | -8.0 | -6.2 | -4.4 |
| 3 Months - 1981 | 769,621 | 242,890 | 1,012,511 | 438,032 | 69,436 | 507,468 | 1,207,653 | 1,519,979 |
| 3 Months - 1980 | 829,559 | 229,177 | 1,058,736 | 504,588 | 69,488 | 574,076 | 1,334,147 | 1,632,812 |
| % Change | -7.2 | +6.0 | -4.4 | -13.2 | -0.1 | -11.6 | -9.5 | -6.9 |

Note: These figures do not include the international operations of Northwest Airlines.

Carriers included: Air California, Air Florida, Air New England, Airlift, Alaska, Aloha, American, Braniff, Capitol, Continental, Delta, Eastern, Flying Tiger, Frontier, Hawaiian, Northwest, Ozark, Pan American, Piedmont, PSA, Republic, Texas International, Trans World, United, USAir and Western.

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## AIR FREIGHT DOWN 4.4 PER CENT IN APRIL

WASHINGTON, D.C., June 3 -- The U.S. scheduled airlines recorded a 4.4 per cent decrease in air freight in April 1981, compared with April 1980, the Air Transport Association reported today.

In domestic service, air freight was down 1.6 per cent from April of last year. International air freight decreased 9.1 per cent.

Total domestic air cargo, which consists of freight and mail, increased 0.3 per cent in April 1981 from the same month in 1980. Mail increased 6.6 per cent.

In international service, total air cargo was down 7.6 per cent from April 1980 and mail increased 3.0 per cent.

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## CARGO FLOWN IN SCHEDULED DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

### U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

Revenue Ton Miles
(In Thousands)

| | Domestic | | | International | | | Total | TOTAL |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Freight | Mail | Total | Freight | Mail | Total | Freight | CARGO |
| April - 1981 | 274,648 | 83,384 | 358,032 | 156,707 | 24,897 | 181,604 | 431,355 | 539,636 |
| April - 1980 | 279,008 | 78,048 | 357,056 | 172,378 | 24,181 | 196,559 | 451,386 | 553,615 |
| % Change | -1.6 | +6.6 | +0.3 | -9.1 | +3.0 | -7.6 | -4.4 | -2.5 |
| 4 Months - 1981 | 1,044,269 | 326,274 | 1,370,543 | 594,739 | 94,333 | 689,072 | 1,639,008 | 2,059,615 |
| 4 Months - 1980 | 1,108,567 | 307,225 | 1,415,792 | 676,966 | 93,669 | 770,635 | 1,785,533 | 2,186,427 |
| % Change | -5.8 | +6.2 | -3.2 | -12.1 | +0.7 | -10.6 | -8.2 | -5.8 |

Note: These figures do not include the international operations of Northwest Airlines.

Carriers included: Air California, Air Florida, Air New England, Airlift, Alaska, Aloha, American, Braniff, Capitol, Continental, Delta, Eastern, Flying Tiger, Frontier, Hawaiian, Northwest, Ozark, Pan American, Piedmont, PSA, Republic, Texas International, Trans World, United USAir and Western.

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## AIR FREIGHT DOWN 7.5 PER CENT IN FIRST FIVE MONTHS; DOWN 4.9 PER CENT IN MAY

WASHINGTON, D.C., July 6--The U.S. scheduled airlines recorded a 7.5 per cent decline in air freight in domestic and international service in the first five months of 1981 compared with the same period in 1980, the Air Transport Association reported today.

Domestic air freight was down 5.4 per cent from the first five months of 1980. Mail increased 5.1 per cent. International air freight decreased 11.1 per cent, while mail increased 0.5 per cent.

Total air cargo, which consists of freight and mail, in both domestic and international service, decreased 5.4 per cent from the first five months of last year.

Total air freight decreased 4.9 per cent in May compared with May 1980. Domestic air freight decreased 3.7 per cent while international freight was down 7.0 per cent for the month of May.

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## CARGO FLOWN IN SCHEDULED DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

### U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

Revenue Ton Miles
(In Thousands)

| | Domestic | | | International | | | Total | TOTAL |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Freight | Mail | Total | Freight | Mail | Total | Freight | CARGO |
| May - 1981 | 284,065 | 79,372 | 363,437 | 166,124 | 24,891 | 191,015 | 450,189 | 554,452 |
| May - 1980 | 294,866 | 78,808 | 373,674 | 178,566 | 24,942 | 203,508 | 473,432 | 577,182 |
| % Change | -3.7 | +0.7 | -2.7 | -7.0 | -0.2 | -6.1 | -4.9 | -3.9 |
| 5 Months - 1981 | 1,328,334 | 405,646 | 1,733,980 | 760,863 | 119,224 | 880,087 | 2,089,197 | 2,614,067 |
| 5 Months - 1980 | 1,403,433 | 386,033 | 1,789,466 | 855,532 | 118,611 | 974,143 | 2,258,965 | 2,763,609 |
| % Change | -5.4 | +5.1 | -3.1 | -11.1 | +0.5 | -9.7 | -7.5 | -5.4 |

Note: These figures do not include the international operations of Northwest Airlines.

Carriers included: Air California, Air Florida, Air New England, Alaska, Aloha, American, Braniff, Capitol, Continental, Delta, Eastern, Flying Tiger, Frontier, Hawaiian, Northwest, Ozark, Pan American, Piedmont, PSA, Republic, Texas International, Trans World, United, USAir and Western.

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AIR FREIGHT DOWN 6.6 PER CENT IN FIRST HALF;

DOWN 2.2 PER CENT IN JUNE

WASHINGTON, D.C., July 30 -- The U.S. scheduled airlines recorded a 6.6 per cent decline in air freight in domestic and international service in the first half of 1981 compared with the same period in 1980, the Air Transport Association reported today.

Domestic air freight was down 4.1 per cent from the first six months of 1980. Mail increased 5.3 per cent. International air freight decreased 10.7 per cent, while mail decreased 0.4 per cent.

Total air cargo, which consists of freight and mail, in both domestic and international service, decreased 4.7 per cent from the first six months of last year.

Total air freight decreased 2.2 per cent in June compared with June 1980. Domestic air freight increased 2.0 per cent while international freight was down 9.0 per cent for the month of June.

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## CARGO FLOWN IN SCHEDULED DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

### U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

Revenue Ton Miles
(In Thousands)

| | Domestic | | | International | | | Total | TOTAL |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Freight | Mail | Total | Freight | Mail | Total | Freight | CARGO |
| June - 1981 | 289,257 | 75,667 | 364,924 | 158,442 | 24,063 | 182,505 | 447,699 | 547,429 |
| June - 1980 | 283,566 | 70,881 | 354,447 | 174,135 | 25,282 | 199,417 | 457,701 | 553,864 |
| % Change | +2.0 | +6.8 | +3.0 | -9.0 | -4.8 | -8.5 | -2.2 | -1.2 |
| 6 Months - 1981 | 1,617,591 | 481,313 | 2,098,904 | 919,305 | 143,287 | 1,062,592 | 2,536,896 | 3,161,496 |
| 6 Months - 1980 | 1,686,999 | 456,914 | 2,143,913 | 1,029,667 | 143,893 | 1,173,560 | 2,716,666 | 3,317,473 |
| % Change | -4.1 | +5.3 | -2.1 | -10.7 | -0.4 | -9.5 | -6.6 | -4.7 |

Note: These figures do not include the international operations of Northwest Airlines.

Carriers included: Air California, Air Florida, Air New England, Alaska, Aloha, American, Braniff, Capitol, Continental, Delta, Eastern, Flying Tiger, Frontier, Hawaiian, Northwest, Ozark, Pan American, Piedmont, PSA, Republic, Texas International, Trans World, United, USAir and Western.

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AIR FREIGHT DOWN 0.7 PER CENT IN JULY

WASHINGTON, D.C., September 1 -- The U.S. scheduled airlines recorded a 0.7 per cent decrease in air freight in July 1981, compared with July 1980, the Air Transport Association reported today.

For the first seven months of 1981, domestic air freight was down 3.3 per cent from the same period last year. International air freight decreased 10.3 per cent in the same period.

In domestic service, air freight was up 1.5 per cent from July of last year. International air freight decreased 6.7 per cent.

Total domestic air cargo, which consists of freight and mail, increased 1.9 per cent in July 1981 from the same month in 1980. Mail increased 3.5 per cent.

In international service, total air cargo was down 6.7 per cent from July 1980 and mail decreased 6.8 per cent.

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## CARGO FLOWN IN SCHEDULED DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

### U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

Revenue Ton Miles
(In Thousands)

| | Domestic | | | International | | | Total | TOTAL |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Freight | Mail | Total | Freight | Mail | Total | Freight | CARGO |
| July - 1981 | 293,998 | 76,730 | 370,728 | 99,824 | 11,400 | 111,224 | 393,822 | 481,952 |
| July - 1980 | 289,571 | 74,140 | 363,711 | 106,972 | 12,236 | 119,208 | 396,543 | 482,919 |
| % Change | +1.5 | +3.5 | +1.9 | -6.7 | -6.8 | -6.7 | -0.7 | -0.2 |
| 7 Months - 1981 | 1,911,589 | 558,043 | 2,469,632 | 1,019,129 | 154,687 | 1,173,816 | 2,930,718 | 3,643,448 |
| 7 Months - 1980 | 1,976,570 | 531,054 | 2,507,624 | 1,136,639 | 156,129 | 1,292,768 | 3,113,209 | 3,800,392 |
| % Change | -3.3 | +5.1 | -1.5 | -10.3 | -0.9 | -9.2 | -5.9 | -4.1 |

Note: These figures do not include the international operations of Northwest Airlines.

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# AIR FREIGHT DOWN 6.3 PER CENT IN AUGUST

WASHINGTON, Oct. 1--The U. S. scheduled airlines recorded a 6.3 per cent decrease in air freight in August, 1981, compared with August, 1980, the Air Transport Association reported today.

For the first eight months of 1981, domestic air freight was down 3.9 per cent from the same period last year. International air freight decreased 8.7 per cent in the same eight months.

In domestic service, air freight was down 8.1 per cent from August of last year. International air freight decreased 3.1 per cent.

Total domestic air cargo, which consists of freight and mail, decreased 6.9 per cent in August, 1981, from the same month in 1980. Mail decreased 2.4 per cent.

In international service, total air cargo was down 3.2 per cent from August, 1980, and mail decreased 4.0 per cent.

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## CARGO FLOWN IN SCHEDULED DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

### U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

Revenue Ton Miles
(In Thousands)

| | Domestic | | | International | | | Total Freight | TOTAL CARGO |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Freight | Mail | Total | Freight | Mail | Total | | |
| August - 1981 | 269,090 | 73,120 | 342,210 | 161,578 | 23,233 | 184,811 | 430,668 | 527,021 |
| August - 1980 | 292,685 | 74,884 | 367,569 | 166,793 | 24,195 | 190,988 | 459,478 | 558,557 |
| % Change | -8.1 | -2.4 | -6.9 | -3.1 | -4.0 | -3.2 | -6.3 | -5.6 |
| 8 Months - 1981 | 2,180,679 | 631,163 | 2,811,842 | 1,250,235 | 189,972 | 1,440,207 | 3,430,914 | 4,252,049 |
| 8 Months - 1980 | 2,270,015 | 606,290 | 2,876,305 | 1,370,051 | 192,513 | 1,562,564 | 3,640,066 | 4,438,869 |
| % Change | -3.9 | +4.1 | -2.2 | -8.7 | -1.3 | -7.8 | -5.7 | -4.2 |

Note: These figures do not include the international operations of Northwest Airlines.

Carriers included: Air Cal, Air Florida, Airlift, Air New England, Alaska, Aloha, American, Braniff, Capitol, Continental, Delta, Eastern, Flying Tiger, Frontier, Hawaiian, Northwest, Ozark, Pan American, Piedmont, PSA, Republic, Texas International, Trans World, United, USAir and Western.